DECISION

AMENDMENTS TO THE FACILITY AGREEMENT WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC REGARDING ON-SITE INSPECTIONS AT A SCHEDULE 1 FACILITY FOR PROTECTIVE PURPOSES

The Executive Council,

Recalling that paragraph 3 of Part III of the Verification Annex to the Chemical Weapons Convention requires each State Party to conclude a facility agreement with the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) for each facility declared and subject to on-site inspection pursuant, inter alia, to paragraph 3 of Article VI of the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter “the Convention”);

Noting that subparagraph 34(c) of Article VIII of the Convention states that the Executive Council (hereinafter “the Council”) shall approve “agreements or arrangements relating to the implementation of verification activities, negotiated by the Technical Secretariat with States Parties”;

Recalling also that at its Seventy-Sixth Session, the Council approved the negotiated text of an amended facility agreement between the OPCW and the Government of the Slovak Republic regarding inspections at a Schedule 1 facility for protective purposes located in the Slovak Republic (EC-76/DEC.1*, dated 9 July 2014);

Recalling further the Note by the Technical Secretariat (hereinafter “the Secretariat”) on amendments to this facility agreement (EC-88/S/2, dated 30 May 2018);

Noting also that the Secretariat and the Government of the Slovak Republic have agreed on amendments to the facility agreement regarding on-site inspections at a Schedule 1 facility for protective purposes located in the Slovak Republic, the text of which is set out in EC-88/P/DEC.2 (dated 11 July 2018); and

Noting further that, according to Section 13 of the facility agreement, amendments to it must be approved by the Council;

Hereby:

Approves the amendments to the facility agreement between the OPCW and the Slovak Republic set out in EC-88/P/DEC.2.

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